





## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

**Uwe HEITMANN** 

Appl. No. 10/057,929

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For: MACHINE FOR MAKING FILTER

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to the requirement for restriction in the Office Action mailed on February 28, 2003,

Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, Group I, Claims 1-14 drawn to a machine for making

filters. Further examination of these claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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